ARKANSAS WIC PROGRAM GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FFY 2011

Functional Area I Vendor Management

Goal I: Continued development of additional vendor education materials (e.g. PowerPoint, DVD, on-line training modules, etc.)

Goal II: Become familiar with various models and associated vendor policy and procedural changes required to implement WIC EBT

Goal III: Improve management of exempt/special formula inventories

A: Develop a procedural desk reference and training materials for clerical staff

B: Increase analysis of formula usage, inventory management with goal of reducing cost and loss

Functional Area II Nutrition Services

Goal I: Review and realign Nutrition Services competency-based training with revised policy

Goal II: Implement Revision 10 risk factors

Objective A: Monitor and provide technical assistance

Goal III: Maintain VENA competencies of field staff

Objective A: Provide follow-up training through the VENA Skills Building Workshop

Objective B: Monitor and provide technical assistance

Objective C: Monitor impact of VENA changes and training on risk factor assignment, participant assessment and food package tailoring

Goal IV: Provision of enhanced breastfeeding support through Loving Support training

Objective A: Coordinate with Arkansas Children's Hospital to provide *Breastfeeding: A Course for Health Professionals* for local WIC staff

Functional Area III Information System

Goal I: Implement enhancements to the WIC SPIRIT Information System

Objective A: Provide technical assistance and advanced training

Goal II: Continue process toward implementation of EBT

Functional Area V Nutrition Services and Administration Expenditures

Goal I: Work with agency to secure FNS approval of agency cost allocation plan

Functional Area VI Food Funds Management

Goal I: Continue to evaluate system reports

Functional Area VIII Certification, Eligibility and Coordination of Services

Goal I: Update clinic operations policies with SPIRIT revisions

Goal II: On-going monitoring and training of local staff

Functional Area IX Food Delivery/Food Instrument Accountability and Control

Goal I: Reduce number of voided but redeemed checks through increased monitoring and training

Functional Area X Monitoring and Audits

Goal I: Continue to work on follow up policy and procedures

Goal II: Continued improvement of ME tools